

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNIVERSAL LIFE CHURCH  
MONASTERY STOREHOUSE,

Plaintiff,

v.

MAURICE KING, *et al.*,

Defendants.

NO. C19-0301RSL

ORDER REGARDING AMERICAN  
MARRIAGE MINISTRIES'  
MOTIONS TO SEAL

This matter comes before the Court on American Marriage Ministries' motions to seal exhibits submitted in relation to discovery motions filed by the parties. Dkt. # 74 and # 87. Having reviewed the memoranda, declarations, and exhibits submitted by the parties, the Court finds as follows:

(1) The only issue presently before the Court is whether Exhibits 1-6 (Dkt. # 77-80 and # 88-89) should remain under seal. Plaintiff's objections to the Court's consideration of all or part of those documents should have been raised in its reply or sur-reply as set forth in LCR 7(g).

(2) American Marriage Ministries ("AMM") asserts that a document can be either submitted in redacted form or sealed, but not both. Dkt. # 108 at 5 n.4. This is incorrect. Where

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1 material is both confidential and important to the issue being decided by the Court, the  
2 unredacted document is filed under sealed (making all of the relevant information available for  
3 consideration), and a redacted version of the document is filed for public viewing.

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5 (3) Having clarified those two points, the Court finds that additional input from the  
6 parties is necessary. The parties shall meet and confer regarding the entirety of Exhibits 1-6  
7 (Dkt. # 77-80 and # 88-89), not just the 30 pages attached to the Declaration of Michael Galletch  
8 (Dkt. # 105-1). Prior to the meet and confer, plaintiff shall specifically identify any confidential  
9 information it would like redacted. If the parties are able to agree on the redactions, AMM shall  
10 file redacted versions of Exhibits 1-6 for public viewing, and Dkt. # 77-80 and # 88-89 will  
11 remained sealed. If the parties cannot agree on the redactions, they shall submit a joint statement  
12 identifying the areas of disagreement and stating their respective positions. The redacted  
13 Exhibits or the joint statement shall be filed on or before July 31, 2020.  
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16 Dated this 20th day of July, 2020.

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19 United States District Judge  
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